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**AMENDMENT "A" PRIOR TO ACTION AND
SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully request entry of the following Amendment and Substitute Specification prior to action on the merits in the above-reference application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Cancel the specification as filed and substitute the specification provided

herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-14 as filed and insert new claims 15 - 28 as follows:

-- What is claimed is:

15. A method for speech recognition comprising the steps of:
determining words and pauses in speech on the basis of word
boundaries;

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